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Application No.: 09/733,563

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Title: Method and Coupling Apparatus for Facilitating an Vascular Anastomoses

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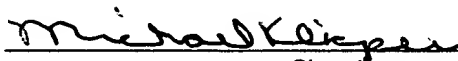
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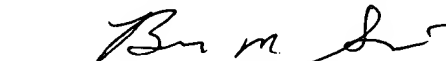
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